# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# WATER RESOURCES
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3244
ANSWERED ON:13.08.2001
DIGGING OF FEEDER CHANNELS
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**Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government are aware of the digging of feeder channels near Karnataka Border to divert the direction of water flow;

(b) if so, whether the Government of Karnataka has complained to his Ministry;

(c) if so, whether it is the violation of Bachawat Tribunal; and

(d) if so, the action taken by the Union Government in this regard?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SMT. BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) & (c) The Government of Karnataka have drawn the attention of the Union Government regarding the construction of two feeder canals by the Government of Andhra Pradesh namely,
(i) Feeder Channel from Sidagappanakatte to P.Byadagere tank;
(ii) Feeder Channel to divert water from the catchment upstream of Reddihally tank in North-Pennar Basin in Karnataka to a local halla of Rolla Tank in Andhra Pradesh. The Government ofKarnataka has apprehended that flows to the Honnagondanahalli tank will be reduced on account of the first feeder canal and cause irreparable injury to the farmers of Reddihally tank in Karnataka due to the second feeder canal. The Government of Andhra Pradesh has informed that the work on Feeder Channel from Sidagappanakatte to P. Byadagere tank has been stopped.

(d) The Central Water Commission has convened a n inter- State meeting of representative of Government of Karnataka and Government of Andhra Pradesh on 17th August, 2001 to discuss all such reported diversion works.